

shall petition the Mayor, Counselor and Aldermen of the City of Annapolis to hold a special election to determine whether or not such area shall become a part of the City of Annapolis, the said petition to set out definitely the limits of such area, the said Mayor, Counselor and Aldermen of the City of Annapolis is authorized in its discretion to make provision to determine the sense of the majority of the registered voters of such area who vote on the question of whether or not such area shall become a part of the City of Annapolis. The Mayor, Counselor and Aldermen of the City of Annapolis shall conduct said election and bear all the expenses of the same, but such election shall be held at some convenient place in the area proposed to be annexed, and officials of such elections shall be appointed from registered voters of such area, representation being given to any of such voters who may be opposed to the proposal to annex to the City of Annapolis. If the registered voters of any area reject the proposal to annex to the City of Annapolis, the question of annexation of any area including any portion of such area which has been voted upon shall not be included in any area made the subject of a determination under this law within two years from the date of the first election unless forty per cent. of the registered voters of a section to be voted upon so petition. If the registered voters in any area in which the question of annexing to the City of Annapolis is submitted under this section declare by a majority vote of those voting on said question that they wish such area to become a part of the area included within the boundaries of the City of Annapolis, the Mayor, Counselor and Aldermen of the City of Annapolis shall assume jurisdiction and control of such area and exercise all governmental powers vested in that body just as they are exercised over the area now included within the limits of the City of Annapolis, and all Acts or parts of Acts inconsistent therewith are hereby repealed. In the event of any section of Anne Arundel County becoming part of the City of Annapolis under this Section the Mayor, Counselor and Aldermen of the City of Annapolis is authorized to include the same within any ward or wards of the City of Annapolis, or to erect the same as a new ward or to co-change the lines of present wards as form new wards of which the annexed sections are parts, and in the event of the formation of an additional ward, the same is to be represented by two Aldermen of the same status of the present Aldermen of the City of Annapolis; and the Mayor, Counselor and Aldermen of the City of Annapolis are further empowered, in the event of any area becoming annexed to the City of Annapolis under this Section to issue bonds, the incidents of which shall be determined by said Mayor, Counselor and Aldermen of the City of Annapolis, to the amount of not more